

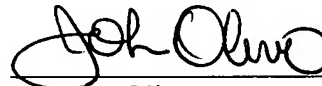
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group III corresponding to claims 23-47. The election is made without traverse, however, Applicants reserve the right to pursue the claims of non-elected Groups I, II and IV in subsequently filed divisional applications.

The claims remaining in prosecution, claims 23-47, are believed to be in condition for allowance and an early notice to such effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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